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1. The Polish destroyer, the ORP BLYSKAWICA, is equipped with Soviet-type radar, and her guns have been rebored at the Gdansk shipyard so that they can use Soviet shells. In June 1950, Jeglarz, the Polish commander of the ship, was replaced by an unidentified Soviet naval officer, who was subsequently relieved of his command and returned to the USSR after the BLYSKAWICA was damaged during maneuvers in Gdynia harbor and needed repairs for three months. Polish crew members were arrested and charged with sabotage for this accident. 50X1-HUM

2. Of the three Polish submarines in the Gdynia area, only the ZBIK is able to dive. This submarine was not seen in the Gdynia harbor for about a week. The SEP spent about two months in a Soviet port during the summer of 1950, and she was immediately put into the Gdynia shipyard for repairs after she returned to Poland. This submarine is still in the shipyard but it is rumored that she will be sent to the USSR. 50X1-HUM

3. The SEP is equipped with a Bofors 105 mm gun and with two 40 mm two-barreled antiaircraft guns, eight stationary 535 mm torpedo tubes on the fore and aft decks, and two movable 535 mm torpedo tubes amidships. Depth bomb equipment on the ship is damaged. The RYS and ZBIK are equipped with one 105 mm Bofors gun amidships, four 535 mm stationary torpedo tubes on the foredeck, and two movable 535 mm torpedo tubes amidships.

4. The Gdynia submarine battalion [redacted] was com-50X1-HUM
manded by 2nd Lt. Stefan Romanowski until the summer of 1950, when he was dis-
missed from the navy and forbidden to live anywhere near the Polish coastline.
Romanowski was succeeded by Capt. Ludwik Szul, a Pole who has been an officer
since 1939 but who has spent his entire naval career as a teacher at a naval
officers' training school. It is suspected that Szul will soon be replaced
by a Soviet officer.

5. Soviet-type radar has been installed on the Polish naval training ship DAR
POMORZA and on the merchant ships BATORY, CZECH, WICKIEWICZ, and KILINSKI.

6. The Polish navy includes three [redacted] trawlers stationed in or near 50X1-HUM
Gdynia: the DELFIN, POKA and MOES. These vessels are about 45 meters in
length with two 500 hp engines capable of 12 knots an hour and are equipped

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with two Colt 12/7 mm (sic) machine guns on their bridges. The navy also has three Polish-built trawlers, the CZAJKA, MEWA and RYBITWA, with 800 hp engines capable of speeds of 14 knots an hour and with one two-barreled gun on the foredeck and one four-barreled machine gun on the poodeck. A fourth trawler, the ZURAN, is unarmed and is used by the Hydrographic Section of the Polish navy. Nine trawlers have been received from the USSR: the KACZOR, CZAPLA, JASKOLKA, JASTRZAB, KATIA, KOSMORAN, KONDOP, KROGULEC and ORLEK. These vessels are organized into three divisions and are armed with two 22.7 mm guns, one on the foredeck and the other on the poodeck, as well as two Colt machine guns amidships. Each ship has a crew of 26 men.

7. A Soviet vice-admiral named TSCHERAKOV (phonetic spelling) has arrived in Gdynia and he wears a Polish uniform. His function is not known but he may be in joint command with Szelagowski.*

* Comment: Szelagowski is probably Vice-Admiral J. Szelagowski, a Soviet naval officer who replaced Rear Admiral Wlodzimierz Steyer as Commander-in-Chief of the Polish Navy and who is himself reported to have recently been replaced by another Soviet officer.

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